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Dominion Route 50 Power Line Project Removed from Fast Track, Public Hearings to Be Rescheduled

The State Corporation Commission has granted a motion filed by Dominion and supported by the County to suspend the schedule for the Route 50 Power Line Case. Essentially, this removes the case from the "fast track" that it was on. The result of this ruling is that the public hearings previously scheduled for August 18th and 25th are postponed. While I know there had been a lot of effort and momentum towards putting together a big turnout for these hearings, delaying the case is in the best interest of the ultimate goal.

Dominion made this request so that they could have more time to analyze the County's proposed alternatives. The County's joint motion (with stakeholders) seeking alternative routes was filed on July 31, and Dominion was given until tomorrow (August 7th) to respond. The Hearing Examiner has set a new date of August 20th for Dominion to respond to the County's joint motion and the County now has until September 4th to answer the response. The result of this decision should also push back the evidentiary hearing in October. The timing of that hearing was a major concern for the County given the resources needed to make an effective case.



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Route 50 Power Line Rendering

The public hearings will be rescheduled, and we will once again request that they be held locally in Dulles South. We do not know yet when exactly that will be, I think it might depend somewhat on how things go during August. But-- all of your efforts to mobilize, sign petitions and prepare to make our case should continue! We have by no means won this fight yet-- there is still a long way to go--and our challenge is still significant. But, this is another positive development. I appreciate the work of the County Attorney and the legal teams that we are coordinating with. Let's keep up the momentum!

For more information about this project and the steps the County is taking to fight it, you can view my [presentation](#) from our July 23 Town Hall Meeting. To see the Board's resolution in opposition to the power lines in Route 50, click [here](#).

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